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DECLARATION OF ALFONSO VARGAS

## **DECLARATION OF ALFONSO VARAGS**

I, Alfonso Vargas, declare and state as follows:

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- 1. I am an individual currently residing in Fresno, California, and am over 18 years of age. I know all of the following facts of my own personal knowledge and, if called upon and sworn as a witness, could and would competently testify thereto.
- 2. I am a drummer. I also am, and during all relevant times alleged in the Complaint filed by Plaintiff/Counter-Defendant YELLOWCAKE, INC., a California corporation ("Yellowcake"), and the Amended Counterclaims filed by Defendant/Counterclaimant HYPHY MUSIC, INC., a California corporation ("Hyphy"), was a co-founding member and owner of the popular Spanish-language Regional Mexican musical group Los Originales De San Juan (the "Group"), together with Counter-defendant JESUS CHAVEZ, SR. ("Chavez") and others.
- In or about February 2013, Hyphy entered into an oral agreement with 3. myself, Chavez, and all other members of the Group, for us as a Group to exclusively provide services in the making of sound and audio-visual recordings (the "Agreement") embodied on certain albums (collectively, the "Los Originales Albums"). Pursuant to the terms of the Agreement, Hyphy agreed to (i) select the musical compositions to be recorded on the Los Originales Albums; (ii) commission and/or provide the sound engineers and audiovisual directors; (iii) produce the musical performances to be embodied on the Los Originales Albums; (iv) direct the recording and filming of musical and audiovisual performances to be embodied on the Los Originales Albums; and (v) pay myself, Chavez and all other members of the Group a fixed amount per album. In exchange, I agreed, among other things, that Hyphy would be the owner of all right, title and interest in and to the Los Originales Albums, and all intellectual property rights in the musical performances embodied in the tangible masters therefor, from inception of creation of each of the Los Originales Albums.

- 4. I thereafter performed and/or contributed all services necessary as a drummer in the creation of each of the Los Originales Albums.
- 5. At the time the Agreement was entered into with Hyphy, I genuinely believed that I was assigning all right, title and interest in my interest in the Los Originales Albums to Hyphy. I was not aware at the time that such assignment needed to be in writing to be valid and enforceable.
- 6. I am aware that Chavez now claims that he entered into an agreement with Yellowcake for Yellowcake to acquire all right, title and interest in and to the Los Originales Albums. However, I never signed any document directly with Yellowcake that would effectuate a transfer of all right, title and interest in and to my interest in the Los Originales Albums to Yellowcake. I also never signed any document giving Chavez all right, title and interest in and to my interest in the Los Originales Albums, which would have allowed him to subsequently transfer such interest to Yellowcake. In fact, I didn't even know that Chavez agreed to transfer rights to Yellowcake until I found out about this lawsuit.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct and that this Declaration was executed on January 3/, 2022, at Fresno, California.

ALFONSO VARGAS

## **ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

A notary public or other officer completing this certificate verifies only the identity of the individual who signed the document to which this certificate is attached, and not the truthfulness, accuracy, or validity of that document.				
State of California County of				
On 1-31-2027 before me, Maria Thomas Notary Public				
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I certify under PENALTY OF PERJURY under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing paragraph is true and correct.				
WITNESS my hand and official seal.  MARIA THOMAS NOTARY PUBLIC - CALIFORNIA COMMISSION # 2371944 FRESNO COUNTY NY Comm. Exp. September 19, 2025				
Signature Menu Twons (Seal)				

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a copy of the foregoing electronically filed document has been served via a "Notice of Electronic Filing" automatically generated by the CM/ECF System and sent by e-mail to all attorneys in the case who are registered as CM/ECF users and have consented to electronic service pursuant to L.R. 5-3.3.

Dated: August 15, 2023 By: /s/ John Begakis

John M. Begakis